

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-19 (canceled)

Claim 20 (currently amended) ~~The~~ A lubricating device for a plurality of lubricating stations, in particular for supplying lubricant to a plurality of lubricating stations in a knitting machine,

having a pump device for pumping lubricant, the pump device having a piston supported axially displaceably in a cylinder; and

having a distributor device , by which the lubricant pumped by the piston is to be distributed to one or more lines of a group of lines leading away from the distributor device, characterized in that the distributor device is part of the pump device,

the pump device and the distributor device are connected to a drive device, and the drive device includes a rotator device and a displacement device, with the piston connected to both the displacement device and the rotator device, the displacement device is actuated by the rotator device, and

the displacement device is formed by a gear, which converts a relative rotation between the piston and the rotator device into a linear motion of the piston, lubricating device of claim 19, further characterized in that in that the gear includes two threaded elements (44, 45), one of which is connected to the piston (21) in a manner fixed against relative rotation, and another of which is connected to the rotator device (55) in a manner fixed against relative rotation.

Claim 21 (currently amended) The lubricating device of claim 20, characterized in that at least one of the threaded elements (44) is connected to a magnet (62), in order to prestress the threaded elements (44) against one another.

Claims 22-26 (cancelled)